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SUBJECT: NEW AGREEMENT BETWEEN IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE WARSAW  
AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

1. AN EMBASSY OFFICER MET ON NOVEMBER 2 WITH DR. DANIEL S. ZAFFERANO, VICE PRESIDENT OF IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY (ISU), AT THE END OF HIS WEEK-LONG VISIT TO POLAND. DR. ZAFFERANO SIGNED AN AGREEMENT ON NOVEMBER 2 WITH THE RECTOR OF WARSAW AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY (WAU), PROFESSOR H. JASIOROWSKI, ESTABLISHING A FACULTY EXCHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN THEIR TWO UNIVERSITIES WHICH WILL INITIALLY PROVIDE FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MAN-MONTHS OF EXCHANGE PER YEAR IN THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES.

2. IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY HAS BEEN CARRYING ON AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH WARSAW UNIVERSITY IN THE BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. DURING HIS VISIT TO POLAND, DR. ZAFFARANO MET AT SOME LENGTH WITH OFFICIALS IN THE MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MINEDUC). HE WAS ADVISED THAT THE MINEDUC PREFERRED THAT ANY FORMAL AGREEMENT WITH ISU BE INCLUDED WITH WARSAW AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY SERVING AS THE COORDINATING POLISH PARTNER FOR EXCHANGES WITH ISU.

3. DR. ZAFFARANO ALSO DISCUSSED EXCHANGES WITH THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION AND WITH THE RECTOR OF THE MINING AND  
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METALLURGY ACADEMY IN KRAKOW. AN

ANNEX TO THE ISU/WAU AGREEMENT, PROVIDING FOR 12 MONTHS OF EXCHANGE PER YEAR IN THE BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES, WAS INITIALED BY DR. ZAFFARANO AND WARSAW UNIVERSITY VICE RECTOR ZDZISLAW MILULSKI. DR. ZAFFARANO HOPES THAT A SIMILAR ANNEX WILL SOON BE INITIALED BETWEEN ISU AND THE KRAKOW MINING AND METALLURGY ACADEMY FOR EXCHANGE IN THE FIELD OF COAL RESEARCH.

4. WE BRIEFED DR. ZAFFARANO AS THOROUGHLY AS POSSIBLE ON THE OPERATION OF UNIVERSITY-TO-UNIVERSITY EXCHANGES IN POLAND. HE IS EAGER TO LEARN WHAT DEPARTMENT SUPPORT HE CAN EXPECT FOR THIS NEW PROGRAM. WE URGED HIM TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR A COOPERATING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS GRANT TO CU/EE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, EMPHASIZING THAT OUR CONTRIBUTION WILL BE LIMITED TO SUPPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL TRAVELING EXPENSES FOR U.S. PARTICIPANTS ON THESE EXCHANGES. WE DID NOT SPECIFY AN EXACT NUMBER OF TRAVEL GRANTS WHICH WOULD BE AVAILABLE. DR. ZAFFARANO SAID THAT PERHAPS AS MANY AS FIVE OR SIX PARTICIPANTS WOULD BE TRAVELING TO POLAND DURING FY-77.

5. COMMENT: DR. ZAFFARANO HAS APPARENTLY HAD LITTLE EXPERIENCE IN RUNNING INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS. HE IS PROCEEDING CAUTIOUSLY, THEREFORE, AND WE ARE CERTAIN THAT HE IS SINCERE IN HIS DESIRE TO START A PROGRAM WITH POLAND TO WHICH HE WILL BE ABLE TO DEVOTE A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF ISU FUNDS. END COMMENT. HE WISHES TO BEGIN EXCHANGES IN ANIMAL SCIENCES AND WAU AND MINING AND COAL RESEARCH WITH THE KRAKOW MINING AND METALLURGY ACADEMY. HE SAID HE THOUGH RESEARCH IN SOME ASPECTS OF THESE FIELDS AT THESE POLISH INSTITUTIONS WAS MORE ADVANCED THAN AT ISU.

6. COMMENT: THE EMBASSY WANTS TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENCOURAGE THIS NEW EXCHANGE. WE HOPE THAT THE DEPARTMENT WILL AGREE TO AWARD ISU A CPI GRANT FOR THE TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE U.S. PARTICIPANTS. END COMMENT. WE OFFERED THE GOOD OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT TO FACILITATE RAPID COMMUNICATION, SHOULD THIS BE NECESSARY, UNCLASSIFIED

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BETWEEN ISU AND ITS VARIOUS POLISH PARTNER INSTITUTIONS IN THE INITIAL STAGES OF THESE EXCHANGES. PLEASE PROVIDE THE EMBASSY A COPY OF THE DEPARTMENT GRANT TO ISU WHEN IT IS AWARDED.  
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